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FM AMEMBASSY BONN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 9191

INFO AMEMBASSY SAIGON

CINCPAC HONOLULU

AMCONSUL HONG KONG

JCS WASHDC

USDAO SAIGON

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY PARIS

C O N F I D E N T I A L BONN 05527

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AMER, PINT, VS, GW

SUBJECT: VIETNAM EVACUATION: WEST GERMAN SHIPS

WITHDRAWING

REFS: (A) BONN 5423, (B) BONN 5240

1. FONOFF INFORMED US EVENING OF APRIL 4 THAT FRG  
EMBASSY SAIGON HAD BEEN ADVISED BY AMEMBASSY SAIGON  
THAT, SUBSEQUENT TO INITIAL USG REQUEST FOR FRG  
ASSISTANCE, SIZEABLE NUMBER OF AMERICAN VESSELS HAD  
ARRIVED TO AID IN EVACUATION OF REFUGEES. FOR THIS  
REASON, AND GIVEN THE SECURITY SITUATION, AMEMBASSY  
SAIGON DID NOT CONSIDER IT NECESSARY THAT GERMAN SHIPS  
REMAIN ANY LONGER AND HAD CONVEYED THANKS OF USG TO  
FRG EMBASSY. FONOFF STATED THAT, IN LIGHT OF THIS  
REPORT, GERMAN GOVERNMENT IS ADVISING OWNERS THAT  
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RHEINLAND AND VOGTLAND NEED NO LONGER STAND BY OFF

VIETNAMESE COAST.

2. EMBOFF ALSO EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR PROMPT FRG  
EFFORTS TO ASSIST, MADE IN RESPONSE TO USG REQUEST  
WHICH AMBASSADOR HAD CONVEYED MARCH 29.  
HILLENBRAND

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